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| State of Tennessee | Court (Must Be Completed) | County (Must Be Completed) |
| Final Decree of Divorce (with Marital Dissolution Agreement) | | File No. _____ (Must Be Completed) |
| | | Division _____ (Large Counties Only) |
| Plaintiff (Name: First, Middle, Last of spouse filing the divorce) | | Defendant (Name: First, Middle, Last of the other spouse) |

If you are ready to finalize your divorce, you must fill out this form. Only the spouse asking for the divorce must sign it, and that spouse **has to go** to the court hearing. **BUT**, it is a good idea for both spouses to go in case the court has questions. The Judge does not have to sign this Order if the Judge does not think your Divorce Agreement is fair.

Take this form with you to your court hearing. Also take all copies you have filed and take:

- **Divorce Agreement**, Form 5, signed by both spouses and notarized if not filed with Request for Divorce
- **Divorce Certificate** - you must get the official state form and have it filled out before court. The clerk may have a copy of this form, or you can find it on-line at: _____

Court Hearing and Findings:

On (date): _____, there was a court hearing at the court and county listed above
before (judge's name): _____.

Parties at the hearing:

☐ **Plaintiff (Spouse filing the divorce):**

Street or P.O. Box City State Zip Phone #

☐ **Defendant (The other spouse):**

Street or P.O. Box City State Zip Phone #

The Court finds that the parties have signed and filed a divorce agreement that makes adequate and sufficient provision for the equitable settlement of property rights between them and fairly apportions their debt (an equitable division).

That Agreement is now filed with and made part of this Order. The spouses swear they have no children together who are under 18, in high school or disabled. **Children together** means children they had together, born before the marriage, **AND** any and all children born during the marriage or adopted.

Based on the parties' **Divorce Agreement**, their **Request for Divorce**, and the entire record for this case, the Court finds good cause to make this **Final Divorce Order**.

The Court makes the following Orders:

- ① The parties are now divorced based on irreconcilable differences.
Important! Either spouse has 30 days to appeal this Order. During the next 30 days, you should not get married again or buy any property.

② **Protective Orders** (check **one**):

- ☐ Neither party has a current Protective Order.
☐ The Court ends the current Protective Order.
☐ The Court continues the current Protective Order until (mm/dd/yy): _____

③ **Name Change** (check **one**):

- ☐ This Order does not change either party's name.
☐ This Order changes the Wife's name to:

First Middle Last

- ☐ This Order changes the Husband's name to:

First Middle Last

Important! You may need a certified copy of this Order to change your name on your driver's license or other records.

④ **Court Costs** will be paid as follows (check **one**):

- ☐ The husband and wife will each pay 50% of the court costs.
☐ Husband will pay all costs.
☐ Wife will pay all costs.
☐ Other agreement: _____.

⑤ **Alimony**

- ☐ Neither spouse wants alimony
☐ The (check **one**): ☐ Husband ☐ Wife agrees to pay (amount): \$ _____ until (date or condition that ends alimony):

This amount will be paid (check **one**): ☐ Weekly ☐ Monthly ☐ Annually

⑥ **Attorney fees**

- ☐ The Wife will pay for her lawyer's fees. The Husband will pay for his lawyer's fees.
☐ Other (explain): _____

⑦ **Other Orders**

This Order is made on (date): _____ by: _____
Judge's signature

Presented by: _____
Person Getting the Order

Wife's Signature Date: _____

Husband's Signature Date: _____

Notice: This Order does **not** protect you against creditors. They may try to collect from you, even if your spouse is responsible for the debt. It may be best to cancel, close, or freeze any accounts you have together.

If your spouse did not go to this hearing, you must mail him/her a copy of this signed Final Divorce Order. Then fill out the part below.

Certificate of Service:

I hereby certify that a true and exact copy of this Order was mailed by U.S. Mail to the other party spouse at the address listed above, on (date): _____.

Spouse who mails it signs here: _____ Date: _____

Attached:

☐ Divorce Agreement

☐ Divorce Certificate (if not already submitted)

☐ Other: _____